## IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A toner comprising low-silicon magnetites, wherein the low-silicon magnetites have a silicon content of less than 0.05 0.025 wt% based on the weight of the magnetite tener.

## 2. (Cancelled)

- 3. (Currently Amended) The toner of claim 1, wherein the magnetites have a silicon content of less than 0.0025 wt% based on the weight of the magnetite.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The toner of claim 1, wherein the magnetites have a silicon content of less than 0.001 wt% based on the weight of the magnetite.
  - 5. (Original) The toner of claim 1, wherein the magnetites have a brightness L\* of from 50.0 to 60.00 CIELAB, a color tinge a\* of -0.5 to 1.5 CIELAB, a color tinge b\* of -3.0 to -7.0 CIELAB, a sphericity of 0.80 to 1.0, a coercive force of 30 to 70 oersted, a particle size of 0.1 to 1.0 μm, a sulfur content of 0.05 to 1.1 wt%, determined as SO<sub>3</sub>, a manganese content of 0.05 to 0.5 wt%,

a content of water-soluble components of less than 0.2 wt% and a pH of



